



**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Regular Meetings: First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified below.
Teleconference Only - No Physical Location

**Regular Meeting
April 19, 2022**

9:00 AM Call meeting to Order by Chair Gardner

*Supervisors Present: Duggan, Gardner, Kreitz, and Peters (all attended via teleconference).
Supervisors Absent: Supervisor Corless.*

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“Those who say it can’t be done, are usually interrupted by others already doing it”.
-James Baldwin

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Kreitz

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

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2. RECOGNITIONS

A. Recognizing Milestone Anniversaries of County Colleagues

30 minutes

(Robert Lawton; Various Department Heads) - Recognizing County employees reaching milestone (5-year increment) anniversaries during 2022.

Action: Conducted recognition ceremony

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Introduced Item
- Presented recognition for Chair Gardner (5 years) and Supervisors Peters (5 years)
- Presented the Assessor's Office Honorees
- Presented recognition Scheereen Dedman, County Clerk- Recorder – Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (5years)
- Presented recognition Kathy Peterson, Social Services Director (10 years)

Supervisor Peters:

- “It’s been a pleasure and honor to serve Mono County”

Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director:

- Presented Behavioral Health Office Honorees

Scheereen Dedman, County Clerk- Recorder – Clerk of the Board of Supervisors:

- Citizens Wildfire Meeting is on the County YouTube page
- Thanked the Board of Supervisors and the County

Tim Kendall, District Attorney:

- Presented District Attorney's Office Honorees

Alicia Vennos, Economic Development Director:

- Presented Economic Development Department Honorees

Chris Mokracek, Chief of Emergency Medical Services (EMS):

- Presented EMS Department Honorees

Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

- Presented Finance Department Honorees

Nate Greenberg, Information Technology (IT) Director:

- Presented IT Department Honorees

Karin Humiston, Chief of Probation:

- Presented Probation Department Honorees

Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director:

- Presented Public Health Department Honorees

Tony Dublino, Public Works Director:

- Presented Public Works Honorees

Sheriff Ingrid Braun:

- Presented Sheriff's Department Honorees

Kathy Peterson, Social Services Director:

- Presented Social Services Department Honorees

Supervisor Duggan:

- Asked to Adjourn meeting in Honor of previous Board Member/ Planning Commissioner Paul Rowan

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Receive brief oral report on emerging issues and/or activities.

Scheereen Dedman, JEDI Coordinator:

- Update on JEDI Program
- Upcoming meeting is Thursday

Kathy Peterson, Social Services Director:

- Reminder that Antelope Valley Senior Center is now open – 8am to 2pm, lunch is at noon Monday through Friday
- May 6 – Antelope Valley Thrift Store Board will be providing Senior Lunches, Raffle Gifts and BINGO

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Duggan:

- For Items A and B, thanked Florene and Haislip for their desire to serve

Duggan motion. Peters seconded.

absent Supervisor Corless

Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

A. Appointment to the Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission

(Alicia Vennos) - Appointment of Florene Trainor to the Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission for a 4-year term from April 19, 2022, to April 19, 2026, term will expire 2026.

Action: Appointed Florene Trainor to the Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission for a 4-year term from April 19, 2022, to April 19, 2026.

Duggan motion. Peters seconded.

absent Supervisor Corless

Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

M22-072

B. Appointment to County Service Area #1

Appointment of Haislip Hayes to CSA #1 Board, term will expire December 31, 2024.

Action: Appointed Haislip Hayes to CSA #1 Board, term will expire 2024.

Duggan motion. Peters seconded.

absent Supervisor Corless

Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

M22-073

C. Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS) Workforce Development Grant Agreement

Proposed contract with California Department of Public Health pertaining to the Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS) Workforce Development Grant Agreement Number 21-10569.

Action: Approved and authorized Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director, to sign proposed contract and associated certification clauses. Authorized Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director, in consultation with County Counsel, to administer contract. This authorization shall include making minor adjustments to said contract from time to time as the Public Health Director may deem necessary, provided such amendments do not alter the amount not to exceed and do not substantially alter the scope of work or budget and are approved as to form by County Counsel.

**Duggan motion. Peters seconded.
absent Supervisor Corless
Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
M22-074**

D. IHSS Advisory Board Appointments

(Kathy Peterson, Social Services Director) - The In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Program helps pay for services so that persons can remain safely in their own home. The Mono County IHSS Advisory Committee provides recommendations and advice regarding IHSS services in the community. Elizabeth Petrunak of Bridgeport and Carolyn Balliet of Mammoth Lakes seek appointment to the advisory board.

Action: Appointed the following individuals to staggered, three-year terms on the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Advisory Board: Elizabeth Petrunak of Bridgeport for a term commencing on October 1, 2021, and terminating on September 30, 2024; and Carolyn Balliet of Mammoth Lakes for a term commencing on May 1, 2022 and terminating on April 30, 2025.

**Duggan motion. Peters seconded.
absent Supervisor Corless
Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
M22-075**

E. Appointment of Members to the Mono County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Executive Committee

(Karin Humiston, Chief Probation Officer) - Proposed resolution declaring approval of the appointment of members to the Mono County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Executive Committee.

Action: Adopted proposed resolution.

Duggan motion. Peters seconded.
absent Supervisor Corless
Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
R22-034

F. Establish 2022 Governance Ad Hoc Committee

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO) - Creation of an ad hoc committee of the Board to develop a draft Board Governance Manual and to draft update of the existing Board Rules of Procedure for presentation, discussion and final approval by the full board ("2022 Ad Hoc Governance Committee").

Action:

- 1) Adopted the 2022 Governance Ad Hoc Committee Charter / Scope of Work
- 2) Appointed Chair Bob Gardner and Supervisor Jennifer Kreitz to the Committee
- 3) Directed the Committee to the Board with draft recommendations/documents on or before October 19, 2022

Duggan motion. Peters seconded.
absent Supervisor Corless
Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
M22-076

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - NONE

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Departments: CAO, Public Health

15 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO; Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director; Dr. Caryn Slack, Public Health Officer) - Update on Countywide response and planning related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director:

- **Presented Item**

Action: None, informational only.

B. Permanent Supportive Housing at The Parcel in Mammoth Lakes

Departments: Behavioral Health

15 minutes

(Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director) - Loan and related agreements between Mono County and Mammoth Lakes Pacific Associates and Standard Agreement with State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for No Place Like Home (NPLH) funds in support of the designation of eight to thirteen permanent supportive housing units, and supportive services programming space, within the affordable housing development to be constructed at the Parcel in Mammoth Lakes.

Action:

Adopted Resolution R22-035 approving a \$1.8 million loan and associated regulatory and subordination agreements for permanent supportive housing, authorizing the County Administrative Officer to execute the loan, agreements and the State of California No Place Like Home (NPLH) standard agreement and related documents, to provide an additional \$500,000 in NPLH funds to the project, and finding that the project qualifies for the streamlining procedures under California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) Guidelines section 15183.3 and that no further environmental review is required.

Adopted Resolution R22-036, restating the text of R20-99, Authorizing the County’s Participation in the No Place Like Home Program (Non-Competitive), in its entirety and making minor modifications thereto as requested by HCD.

Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director:

- Introduced/Presented Item
- Acknowledged County Counsel Simon and Heather Gould have been amazing, helped Robin understand details
- No changes from what has previously been brought to the Board
- Making sure that we are protecting the tax dollar and especially all the regulatory pieces of the MHSA

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Explains in detail – status of the documents
- Premise that Robin put forward and tried to abide, was to hold firm on things that were mission critical for Mono County: in terms of providing housing and supporting services and to be more flexible in any item that could impose barriers on the development of the project
- *Answer to Supervisor Peters: Amanda Greenberg did some intensive number crunching to determine the need (because the funds are so limited, didn’t want to restrict more units than we have to fill them, so the eight units plus the option of five additional units are aligned or attended to aligned with the current needs in Mammoth*

Heather Gould:

- The developer helping to close in May, and will start immediately after

Supervisor Peters:

- *Will there be any opportunity or a plan of additional permanent supportive housing?*

Kreitz motion. Peters seconded.

absent Supervisor Corless

Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

R22-035 and R22-036

C. Mono County Budget Policy

Departments: CAO, Finance

20 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO; John Craig, ACAO; Megan Mahaffey, Accountant III) - Review and discuss changes to current policy for 2022-2023 Budget development.

Action: Adopted revisions to Budget Policy for 2022-2023.

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Introduced Item
- Thanked Janet Dutcher and Megan Mahaffey
- Explains the delay of the item
- Track Changes – not accurate

John Craig, ACAO:

- Presented Item
- Presented correct Track Changes
- Clarifies that this section does not include Capital Improvement Project

Megan Mahaffey, Accountant III:

- Provided clarity on item Capital Improvement Project

Supervisor Duggan:

- Does this include Capital Improvement Project?

Peters motion. Duggan seconded.

absent Supervisor Corless

Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

M22-077

D. Automated License Plate Reader System

Departments: Sheriff

15 minutes

(Sheriff Ingrid Braun) - Implementation of an Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) system by the Sheriff's Office.

Action: Reviewed ALPR policy and received public comment on ALPR as required by California Civil Code 1798.90.55.

Sheriff Ingrid Braun:

- Presented Item
- *Answer to Chair Gardner* - Must establish a need to know, full training, when you can access, and what you can access system for or an ongoing investigation

- *Answer to Supervisor Duggan* - Locations will not be told, can be in all patrol vehicles, and watch guard system and a couple of fixed locations
- *Answer to Supervisor Peters* – Correct – CHP could but currently do not have the capability
- *CalTrans* – has a policy against putting any ALPR on their facilities

Chair Gardner:

- There must be a reason or cause correct?

Supervisor Duggan:

- It is not just one device?

Supervisor Peters:

- Will law enforcement have control over the data that is collected (no other government entities)?

Public Comment – Seth Guthrie:

- Concerns are:
 1. 4th and 5th Amendment violations that this introduces to the County, he will be filing an immediate injunction relief. Data Tracking – who gets the data at the end of the day? Does it go to the government? Does it stay within the County? Where are they logging it? Who has access to data? How often do they have access to it? Do they need a warrant to access the data?
 2. Asks that Sheriff proceeds under reasonable articulable suspicion (RAS)
 3. Biggest concern – This is an overreach, we are headed into totalitarianism

E. Policy Regarding Acquisition and Use of Military Equipment

Departments: Sheriff

10 minutes

(Ingrid Braun, Sheriff) - Presentation regarding Sheriff's Department Policy regarding military equipment pursuant to Assembly Bill 481.

Action: Heard report from Sheriff, directed staff to post the proposed policy for thirty days on the County's website agenzized adoption of ordinance following the thirty-day posting period.

Sheriff Ingrid Braun:

- Clarifies what Military Equipment means for Policy
- Presented Item

County Counsel Simon:

- Clarifies that there is no acquisition on new equipment, or from the US Military or any other military
- Equipment we already have

Public Comment – Seth Guthrie:

- Thank you for the clarity

**Kreitz motion. Peters seconded.
absent Supervisor Corless
Vote: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
M22-078**

8. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session: 10:58 AM
Reconvened: 11:23 AM

A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Bob Lawton, Stacey Simon, Janet Dutcher, John Craig, Patty Francisco, and Oliver Yee. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39 - majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Correctional Deputy Sheriffs' Association. Unrepresented employees: All.

B. Closed Session - Initiation of Litigation

- Direction was given to staff to initiate litigation. The action, the defendants, and the other particulars shall, once formally commenced, be disclosed to any person upon inquiry, unless to do so would jeopardize the agency's ability to effectuate service of process on one or more unserved parties, or that to do so would jeopardize its ability to conclude existing settlement negotiations to its advantage.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: One.

C. Closed Session - Public Employee Evaluation

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrative Officer.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL RECONVENE FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION OR, IF TIME ALLOWS, ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN UP DURING THE MORNING SESSION PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION.

9. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- No one called in

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10. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Moratorium on New Short-Term and Transient Rentals – ITEM MOVED TO 5/3 MEETING

Departments: Community Development

Public Hearing: 1:00 PM (45 minutes)

(Bentley Regehr, Planning Analyst) - Proposed ordinance to temporarily suspend County permitting of new short-term or transient rental operations of residential units. Options applying the moratorium to a combination of single-family units, multi-family units, and residential and non-residential land use designations are described.

Action: Adopt proposed urgency ordinance ORD22-___, an interim ordinance of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Temporarily Suspending the Permitting of New Short-Term and Transient Rentals of Residential Units in All Land Use Designations. The ordinance may be modified per the options described in the staff report, or in some other fashion as the Board may direct. If a moratorium is adopted, provide direction on processing accepted transient rental applications.

11. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Duggan:

- 4/13 – Attended IMACA – closed session
- 4/14 – Attended the Owens Valley Ground Water Authority Meeting: the board voted to submit amendments to the OVGA boundaries
- 4/15 – Completed the NACo High Performance Leadership Academy

Chair Gardner:

- Last Tuesday evening the 12th I participated in the monthly meeting of the Mono Basin Housing Committee. We were joined by Sanjay Choudhrie, the County's new Housing Manager. The committee is working on options for building housing on a vacant county-owned lot in Lee Vining.
- On Wednesday April 13 I drove to Hawthorne, Nevada, to meet with Cassie Hall, who is one of the Commissioners in Mineral County, and with other staff and contractors working with the Hawthorne Army Depot. We discussed the Depot's mission operations, specifically those involving detonation of munitions and the noise and other impact of these activities in the Mono Basin. We agreed the staff would come to the Mono Basin RPAC this summer to provide a briefing on the Depot's munitions detonation operations for our residents.

- Also, on the 13th I participated in the monthly meeting of the Mono Basin RPAC. Topics discussed at that meeting included updates from the Mono Basin Housing and Bear Committees and sending a letter of support for the Kutzadika Tribe Federal Recognition legislation.
- On Thursday, April 14 I participated with Supervisor Corless in the quarterly meeting of the Yosemite Gateway Partnership. Topics at that meeting included a review of the reservation system from Glacier Park National Park, and updates from various staff in Yosemite. There will be numerous construction projects in the Park this summer, which will create some travel delays. The Park is hosting a virtual meeting tomorrow morning at 9:00 AM for Mono Basin and other interested residents about their plans for plowing the Tioga Road. Our hope is that the road will be open before the Memorial Day weekend.
- On Friday the 15th I participated in a meeting with Charlotte Lange, the Kutzadika Tribal Chair, to discuss the status of their Federal Recognition legislation. We are continuing to set up appointments for Charlotte and others to meet with Congressional members and staff to request support for the pending bill.
- Yesterday I participated in a day long strategic planning session hosted by Mammoth Mountain for the June Mountain ski area. This was very interesting and provided much information about the status and future for June Mountain. Two takeaways for me from the day were that June Mountain is no longer losing money but does make a profit. Also, MMSA supports June and is interested in maintaining its special brand, and in building its capacity through investments in the future.
- Finally, last night we held the first session of the Citizens Wildfire Academy hosted by the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments. Dave Carle spoke about the “History of Wildfire in the Eastern Sierra and California” and did a great job. There were about 50 participants for this first session. Thanks to various County staff for their support for these sessions. The next session will be on May 16 at 6:00 PM and will be about Fire Ecology. More publicity will be forthcoming.

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Tuesday was a special meeting between the Eastern Sierra Continuum of Care and HUD technical assistance staff and a regular meeting of the CoC on Thursday. The CoC voted to move the administration lead of the HMIS system to the County of Inyo.
- Wednesday was the regular meeting of the NACo Community Economic Workforce Development committee, and I met with Mono County’s Housing Opportunities Manager. The CSAC LHT Policy Committee staff and vice chairs and I met for our final review of the Committee’s meeting agenda for this week’s Legislative Conference.
- Saturday, I attended the Birthday fundraising party of Joseph and Grace at the future home of the Access Apartments.

Supervisor Peters:

- Attended NACo Human Service Education Platform Change (Workshop)
- Opening of fishing is April 30

- Discussed stocking of fish in Mono County

ADJOURN in memory of Paul Rowan at 11: 26AM

Supervisor Duggan:

- Recognize and Adjourn in the honor of former Supervisor Paul Rowan, “thoughts and prayers to his family and would like to thank him and his family for his contributions to the county and making it a better place to live”.

County Counsel Simon:

- Remembers Paul Rowan – “He was the kindest, gentlest, and most ethical man. A real asset to Mono County, a real public servant”.

ATTEST

Bob Gardner

Bob Gardner (Aug 21, 2022 17:26 PDT)

**BOB GARDNER
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

Danielle Patrick

**DANIELLE PATRICK
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK – ELECTIONS ASSISTANT**